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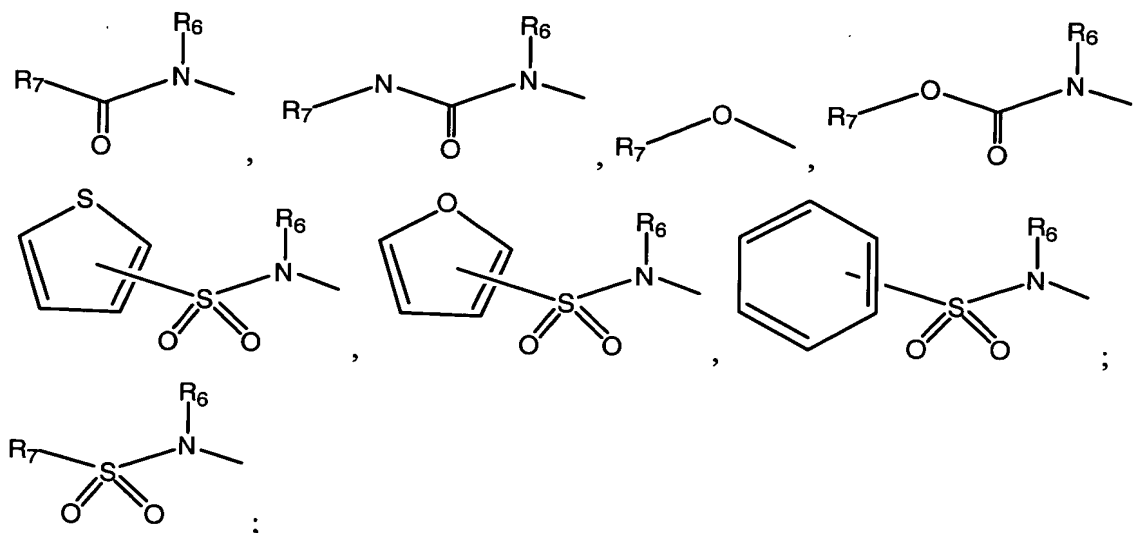
wherein:

R_1 is selected from Halogen, $-NH_2$, -O-phenyl, benzyl, -O-benzyl, -N-benzyl, -N-benzyl-O-phenyl, -S-benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl rings of these groups being optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from halogen, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, -NO_2, -NH_2, -CN, -CF_3, or -OH; or R_1 is or a moiety of the formulae:
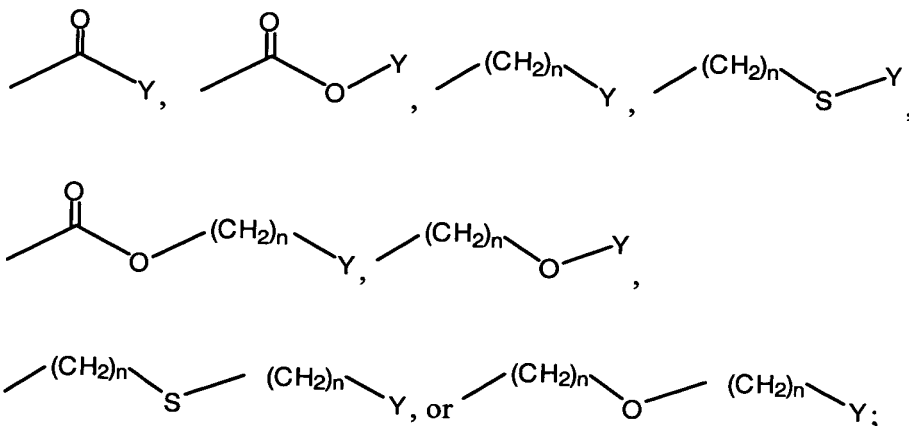

R_6 is selected from H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, phenyl, -O-phenyl, benzyl, -O-benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl rings of these groups being optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from halogen, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, -NO_2, -CF_3, or -OH;

R_7 is selected from -$(CH_2)_n$-COOH, -$(CH_2)_n$-N-$(C_1$-C_6 alkyl)$_2$, -$(CH_2)_n$-NH-$(C_1$-C_6 alkyl), -CF_3, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_3-C_5 cycloalkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, -NH-$(C_1$-C_6 alkyl), -N-$(C_1$-C_6 alkyl)$_2$, pyridinyl, thienyl, furyl, pyrrolyl, phenyl, -O-phenyl, benzyl, -O-benzyl, adamantyl, or morpholinyl, the rings of these groups being optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from halogen, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, -NO_2, -CF_3, or -OH;

n is an integer from 0 to 3;

R_3 is selected from H, -CF_3, -COOH, C_1-C_6 lower alkyl, C_1-C_6 lower alkoxy, C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl, -C_1-C_6 alkyl-C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl, -CHO, halogen, or a moiety of the formulae:

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wherein n is independently selected in each appearance as an integer from 0 to 3, preferably 0 to 2, more preferably 0 to 1, Y is C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_3-C_5 cycloalkyl, phenyl, benzyl, napthyl, pyridinyl, quinolyl, furyl, thienyl, morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, or pyrrolyl; rings of these groups being optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from H, halogen, -CF_3, -OH, -C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, -NH_2, -NO_2 or a five membered heterocyclic ring containing one heteroatom selected from N, S, or O, preferably S or O;

R_4 is selected from the group of C_1-C_6 lower alkyl, C_1-C_6 lower alkoxy, -$(CH_2)_n$-C_3-C_6 cycloalkyl, -$(CH_2)_n$-S-$(CH_2)_n$-C_3-C_5 cycloalkyl, -$(CH_2)_n$-O-$(CH_2)_n$-C_3-C_5 cycloalkyl, or the groups of:

a) a moiety of the formulae -$(CH_2)_n$-A, -$(CH_2)_n$-S-A, or -$(CH_2)_n$-O-A, wherein A is the moiety:
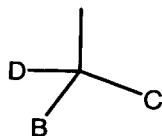
wherein

D is H, C_1-C_6 lower alkyl, C_1-C_6 lower alkoxy, or -CF_3;

B and C are independently selected from phenyl, pyridinyl, furyl, thienyl, pyrimidinyl or pyrrolyl groups, each optionally substituted by from 1 to 3, preferably 1 to 2, substituents selected from H, halogen, -CF_3, -OH, -C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, or -NO_2;

R_5 is selected from -COOH, -C(O)-COOH, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-C(O)-COOH, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-COOH, -CH$_2$-phenyl-C(O)-benzothiazole,

(CH$_2$)$_n$-CH=CH-COOH,
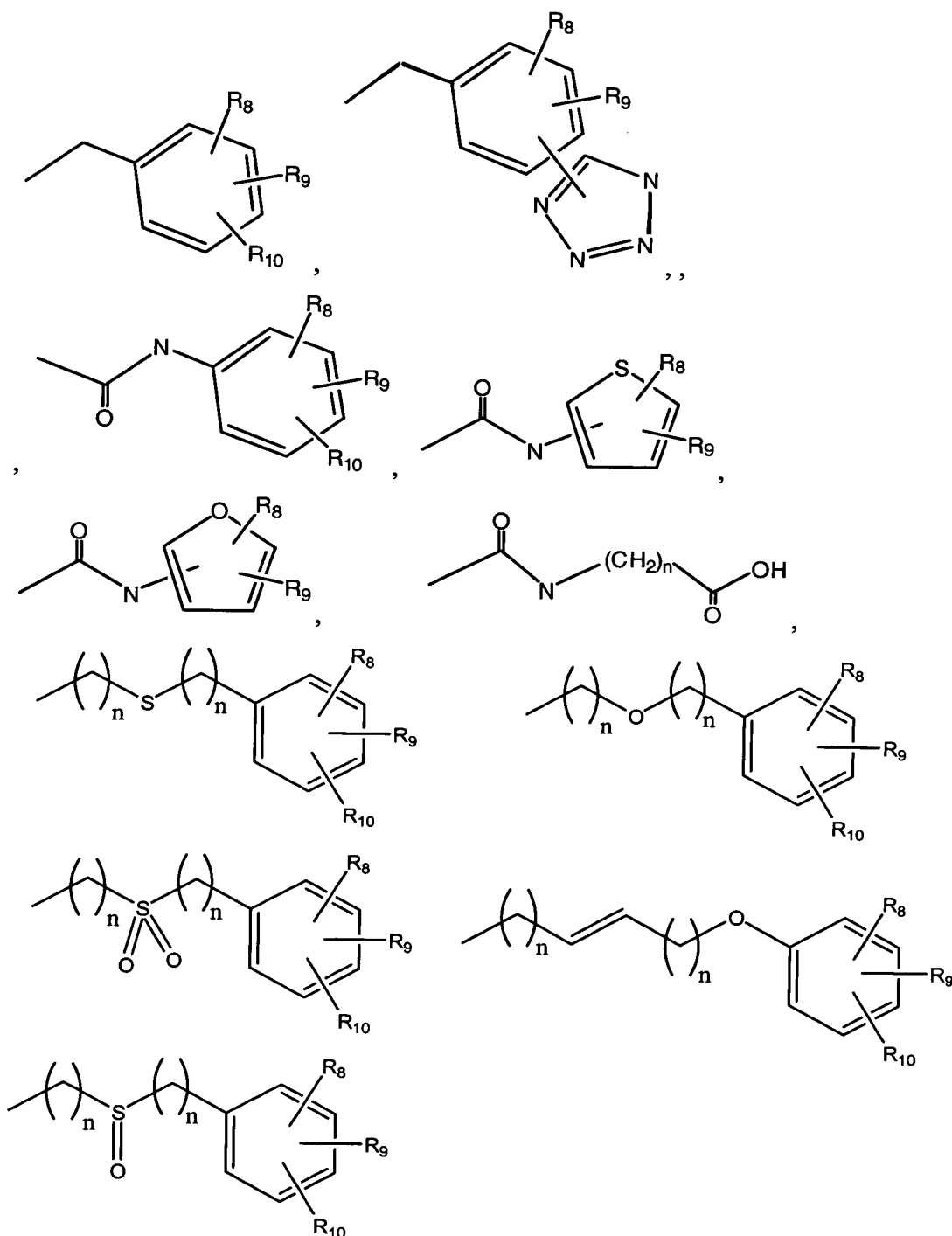
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n is an integer from 0 to 3;

R_8 is selected from H, -COOH, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-COOH, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-C(O)-COOH, tetrazole, -C(O)-NH$_2$, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-C(O)-NH$_2$,

n is an integer from 0 to 3;

R_9 is selected from H, halogen, -CF$_3$, -OH, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-COOH,

-(CH$_2$)$_n$-C(O)-COOH, -C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl, -O-C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl, -NH(C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl), -N(C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl)$_2$;

n is an integer from 0 to 3;

R_{10} is selected from the group of H, halogen, -CF$_3$, -OH, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-COOH,

-(CH$_2$)$_n$-C(O)-COOH, -C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl, -O-C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl, -NH(C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl), -N(C$_1$-C$_6$ alkyl)$_2$,
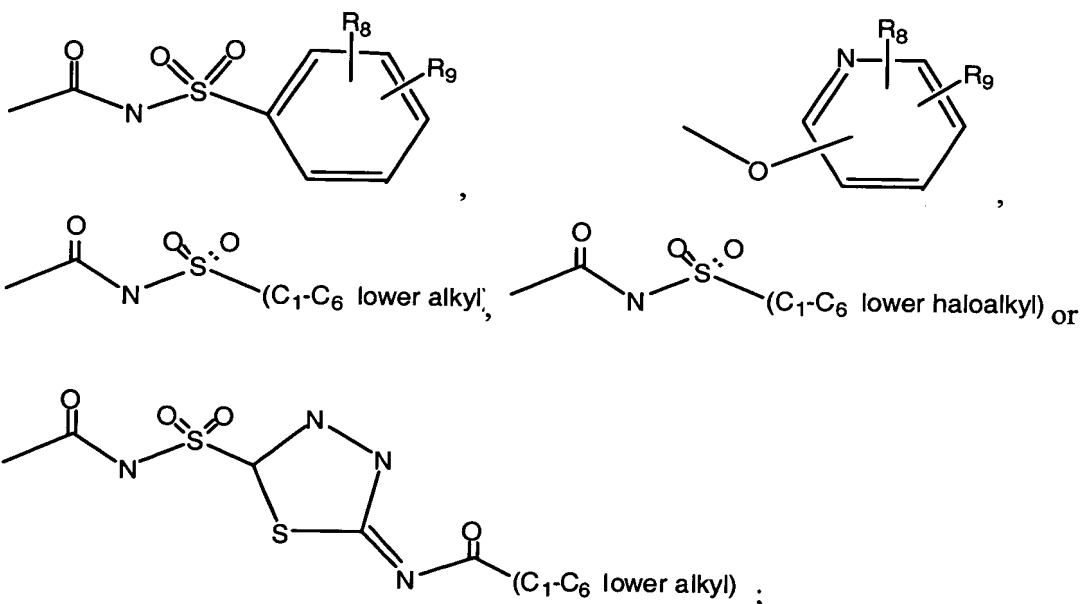
n is an integer from 0 to 3;

R_{11} is selected from H, C$_1$-C$_6$ lower alkyl, -CF$_3$, -COOH, -(CH$_2$)$_n$-COOH,

-(CH$_2$)$_n$-C(O)-COOH, or